

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Arguments

1. Applicants' amendments and arguments, filed on 02/14/2008, with respect to Claims 1, 2, 4, 7, 13, 14, 16 and 18 have been fully considered and persuasive. The rejection under 35U.S.C. 103(a) has been withdrawn.

Examiner Amendments

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

3. Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Applicant's representative Larry Brown on 4/30/2008.

4. The application has been amended as follows:

In the claims:

- Claim 19, line 11, after "the set" insert --- ; and wherein a desired preamble signal is based on a call type and a receiver ID associated with the call type ---.
- Cancel claim 21.

Allowable Subject Matter

- 5. Claims 1-11, 13-20 and 22-26 are allowed.
- 6. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance.

- The prior art fails to teach an apparatus of Claims 1, 11, 13, 18 and 19 that specifically comprises the following:

-- The instant application is deemed to be directed to a non-obvious improvement over the admitted prior art of the instant application and the invention patented in Pat. No. US 3,730,998, US 5,778,073, US 6,269,088, US 6,359,871 and US 2003/0223476.

The improvement comprises:

With regard Claims 1, 11, 13, 18 and 19, "transmitting at least one distinguishable preamble waveform among the set of known preamble waveforms based on an association with a call type and a receiver identifier." as recited in combination with other limitation in claims 1, 11, 13, 18 and 19, respectively.

7. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

8. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ted M. Wang whose telephone number is (571) 272-3053. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F, 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Chieh Fan can be reached on 571-272-3042. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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